BAR HILL NEWS

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How can we support the community to feel part of the solution to floods and severe weather emergencies?

THURSDAY MARCH 12th 2020

6.30 - 8.30PM

THE OCTAGON, BAR HILL CB23 8EH

Join us for an introduction to community resilience, volunteering opportunities & the support on offer from Communities Prepared, followed by Q&A, networking & refreshments.

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Any queries please call 07734690580/01954 780456.

Dry Drayton Art Group

A demonstration evening by Cambridge artist Jamie Sugg on 31st March at 7.30pm in the village Hall Dry Drayton High St CB23 8DD.

Tickets £7 including wine and nibbles from Gill **01954 780897** or Jan **01954 20149**5.

Bar Hill Primary

Academy Council vacancy **Page 3**, and monthly report on **Page 34**.

Bar Hill Community Market

Saturday 4th April

Saturday 2nd May

In the Octagon 10.30am – 2pm

Many stalls, selling homemade crafts and hopefully a cake stall.

Refreshments with soup at lunchtime.

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For more details contact

Karen **01954 781085**

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Deadline for next issue is 15th of the month (although the earlier the better!), please send submissions to **bhneditor@yahoo.com** - the earlier the better!.

Bar Hill Primary School

We have had a busy and successful half term at Bar Hill Primary. The children have been working hard and have shown excellent commitment to their learning.

We have recently celebrated success from our participation in a Kurling competition and Multisports competition where some of our children have worked fantastically as a pair and have qualified to represent South Cambridgeshire School Sports Partnership for the County School Games Summer Festival and another was nominated by another School for a Spirit of the Games award.

We are very proud of one of our Year 3 children who has been offered a football academy place for next season with Cambridge United Football Club.

After half term we welcome back Miss Loombe following her maternity leave. Miss Loombe is excited to be re-joining us and will be teaching a class in Year 2.

WILDLIFE TRUST

From Teesdale to Inis Mor

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to this illustrated talk, which will be given by Dr. Pat Doody on Wednesday 11th March 2020.

Pat is a coastal ecologist and a long-standing member of our local group, and has delivered many beautifully illustrated talks in the past.

This evening Pat's talk will take us on a journey from Durham, where he did his PhD on Rare Plants of Teesdale, via the UK coast, where he spent most of his career with Nature Conservancy and its successors, to the West coast of Ireland. Along the way he will talk about Ice Ages, nature conservation and geology, with passing references to climate change. This should be a fascinating talk that will be of interest to many.

Meetings are held at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB starting at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome, booking not necessary.

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If you live in or around Bar Hill and are looking for an enjoyable volunteering role through which you can meet others, feel part of a supportive team (many of whom have shared experience of hearing loss) and enjoy the rewards of helping those in need in your local community, please do get in touch!

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Some of our Childminders offer GOVERNMENT FUNDED places, 'Universal' and 'Extended'for 3 & 4 year olds (+ qualifying 2 year olds). The funded hours can be shared with your child's Pre-school/ Nursery. Below is a list of our Childminders - those who offer Government Funding have a letter 'F' before their name:

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THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

We meet on the 4th Thursday of each month in the Meeting room of the Octagon at 7.30pm. You do not have to have served in the Forces to join the Legion. If you would like to find out more about the Royal British Legion in Bar Hill please contact either Malcolm Cox on **01954488657** or Wendy Arrowsmith on **01954 781381** or come along to the next meeting.

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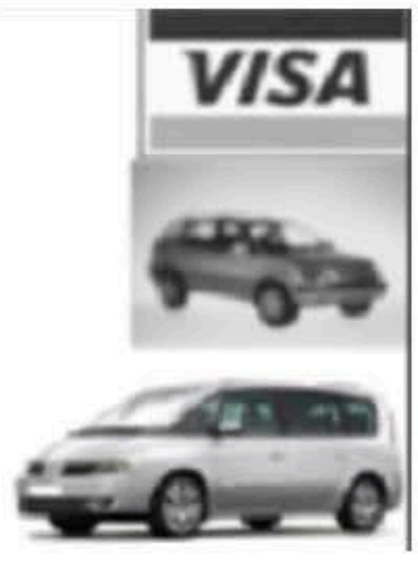

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Please feel free to call/ email and book a time to come and have a look around, our nursery manager Claire will be happy to arrange that for you.

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We also have out of school care based at the children's centre at the front of the school (for primary school children). We are open from 7.30am to 8.45 am and from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. Also in the school holidays from 8am-6pm.
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Terrific performance all round, a clean sheet and goals from Federico x3, Jack, Kyle and Max E sees us up against Trumpington Kings on the 29th February for a place in the final – good luck to the players!

The team will be looking to add to our squad ahead of moving from 9 to 11-a-side next season, so if interested please contact us on: joeegan1507@gmail.com (enquiries for all other age groups welcome)

Bar Hill Colts end of season presentation will take place on 20th June 2020 – more details to follow in the coming months.

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BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

Since the Residents' Association was formed it has been run by a small group of volunteers for the benefit of residents and visitors to the village.

BAR HILL

The Residents' Association meets once a month at the Parish Council offices and new members are very welcome! The main responsibilities of the Association are the production of the Bar Hill News, and organising the Village Fete.

You can commit as little or as much time as you wish and we'd welcome new members who are interested in getting involved in the village.

If you'd like more details please contact Roger Hall at roger.hall90@ntlworld.com or phone **01954 780304**.

Safe and Well Visits

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service wants everyone in the county to be safe from fire at home and know how to escape safely if a fire starts.

That's why we visit people in their own homes to make sure they have working smoke alarms and a good level of fire safety awareness to help prevent fires and save lives.

To help keep our communities safe we offer FREE Safe and Well visits across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

A Safe and Well visit is a home visit that lasts no longer than an hour, at a convenient time for you, carried out by trained staff. During the visit we will:

- Talk to you about fire safety in the home
- Check your property to identify any fire hazards
- Check that you have at least one working smoke alarm on each level of your home
- Fit FREE ten-year smoke alarms as appropriate
- Provide you with fire safety advice and show you how to test your smoke alarms
- Talk about escape plans, so that you can escape safely if a fire starts
- Provide advice, or link you into organisations that can help you, if you need support with other issues such as health, wellbeing or crime prevention.

To find out if you are eligible for a visit, call us on **01480 444500** or email us at firefire@cambsfire.gov.uk.

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Longstanton Bowls Club

Spring is here at last with the longer evenings and as usual at this time of year Longstanton Bowls Club is recruiting new members. Do you fancy some gentle exercise on a summer's evening? It doesn't matter if you haven't played Lawn Bowls before as we will provide help and guidance. Everyone is welcome and our membership ranges from juniors to retirees and novices to experienced players.

We have many members from surrounding villages. Don't worry about equipment, as the club can assist with this – just wear flat shoes. We pride ourselves in being a friendly club where the enjoyment comes from taking part. Our bowls green is located on the recreation ground, between the Longstanton Pavilion and the tennis courts, Over Road, Longstanton.

Monday evenings are club roll-up nights, reserved for informal practice in a mildly competitive environment, ideal for beginners. We also have a fun league on Thursday afternoons where you even get points just for turning up!

The club plays in a number of inter-club leagues. Most of our league matches are on the light summer evenings, starting at 6:30pm. There is also an afternoon league with matches starting at 2pm with a break for tea and biscuits halfway through, so it is all very sociable!

There is plenty of bowls to suit everyone so why not come along and give it a try? The outdoor season runs from late April to September. If you're tempted, please come along to our Open day on Saturday, 18th April 2020 (from 2pm) or alternatively, on Monday evenings in season (from 6pm) to meet some of the members and possibly try your hand. If you just want to watch, then that's fine too.

For more details please contact Marion on 01954780118 or via email at **marionedwards1@btinternet.com**. Our web address is **www.longstanton-bowls-club.co.uk** .

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Courier Fraud Update

You may recall earlier this month we warned of 'courier fraud' scams where fraudsters pose as a police officer or bank official to persuade their often elderly and vulnerable victims to hand over large amounts of cash.

We have been made aware of seven separate instances where people across Cambridgeshire have lost almost £88,000 to courier fraud this month alone.

In six out of the seven instances this month, the fraudster has cold-called the victim by telephone posing as a police officer claiming they had someone in custody as part of a fraud investigation.

The bogus officer told the victim there was an issue with their bank account or requested their assistance with an ongoing investigation. The ultimate aim of the call being to lure the victim into withdrawing cash from their bank and later handing over money to a courier.

On the other occasion the fraudster has claimed to be from the tax office, claiming the victim owed in excess of £10,000 and would be arrested if they didn't pay the outstanding balance. In this instance the victim was told to hand over cash and also purchase thousands of pounds worth of Amazon vouchers from a supermarket.

Criminals are increasingly turning to vouchers as a method of obtaining funds since these are much more difficult to trace than banking transactions.

Between 18 and 26 January five victims in the East Cambs area lost a total of £78,500 and on two occasions in Peterborough, on 8 and 24 January, two people lost a combined £9,000.

This recent spate of courier fraud is appalling and must be stopped. Not only is the financial detriment significant, these crimes often have a devastating impact on the health and wellbeing of the victims and their families.

Whilst the latest reported incidents are all in the same two areas, it is likely the scammers are working through a list organised by postcode and therefore there is a strong chance this scam will appear in other areas too. We urge residents to please be vigilant to this and pass the message on so others can be vigilant too.

Please remember your bank and the police would:

- Never ask for your bank account details or PIN over the phone
- Never ask you to withdraw money and send it to them
- Never ask you to send them your bank cards or any other personal property

Further information about courier fraud can be found on our website here http://bit.ly/35W0NYB.

If you are suspicious about a telephone conversation you should end the call and contact us via our non-emergency number, 101. Ideally use a mobile phone or a friend's phone or wait at least five minutes before calling to ensure you aren't reconnected to the offender.

To report an incident in action or if you are in immediate danger always call 999.

Community groups and individuals are invited to become a registered supporter of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Against Scams Partnership. Supporters receive information about the latest scams and funding or training opportunities and are provided with resources to increase scams awareness in their local community. For more information visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/against-scams or contact Charlotte Homent on 01954 284635.

Our Cyber Security Advisor is available to present to different community groups on how to protect themselves from scams. Enquiries should be made via email to CyberProtectCambs@cambs.pnn.police.uk.

- BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION -

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Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Association.

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Jubilee Park, rear of young people's exercise and play facilities, has been planted up. Autumn tree and stream works have been completed. Anyone with concerns about trees please contact the Council. Complete the form available from the office or on line https://www.barhillpc.org.uk/forms/ Concerned residents have contacted the Parish Council about the number of trees that have been removed or cut back, including those removed by Highways England in connection with the A14 Improvement Scheme. Highways England have promised that they will be replanting and with the announcement that these works are being completed early the Parish Council hopes to soon see evidence of the replanting scheme. As regards tree/hedge/shrub maintenance within the parish boundary, our programmes focus on recommendations from the aboriculturalist, subject of course to compliance with any tree preservation orders, protection of rights for wildlife and meeting the needs of residents, especially where there are concerns that some of the trees planted, or retained during the housebuilding programme within Bar Hill, have now reached their mature height and spread, in some instances causing a nuisance for nearby residents in terms of shading and leaf/fruit fall. This situation will be monitored by the Parish Council and actions taken in accordance with aboriculturalist/tree surgeon advice.

A resident request to move the bus timetable at Hillcrest away from the muddy verge and on to the bus shelter wall is being discussed with Stagecoach. The Council is aware that whilst the A14 improvement scheme has been going on times have been extremely difficult for bus users, often having to wait for up to an hour or so for the bus. A request from a resident to install seats in the bus shelters was reviewed by the Environment and Amenities Committee in February. The design of the brick bus shelters would make it difficult for people using the seats to see the bus coming and equally difficult for the bus driver to see anyone waiting inside. Installation of seats in all the bus shelters would be a costly exercise and now that the A14 works are nearly complete, the buses should get back into the regular times pattern. It was therefore decided not to pursue any projects for installation of seats in the foreseeable future.

The Parish Council is continuing dialogue with Tesco Bar Hill and HQ to get the tree area at the bottom of Viking Way/entrance to Tesco Carpark beside the chip shop cleared and tidied.

Cambridgeshire County Council Highways has advised they intend carrying out repairs to the road surface at Saxon Way and Trafalgar Way between 7.30am and 6pm Monday 6 April to Friday 10 April 2020.

This will necessitate road closure/traffic control and also affect the bus service although the Council understands the stop at Tesco will not be involved.

Meet your Councillor, any concerns or ideas you want to share pertaining to parish council matters including facilities, please contact your Councillor or call in to one of the Drop In sessions held by Councillors on the last Monday of the month except public holidays, 10.30 am to 12 noon.

Appointments available 01954 780456

Freehold purchases. Contact Parish Council Office for details. The Council's solicitors will then proceed directly with the enquirer. There is currently no premium charge payable to the Parish Council; the homeowner is required to meet the costs for professional and Registry fees charged by each party's solicitors.

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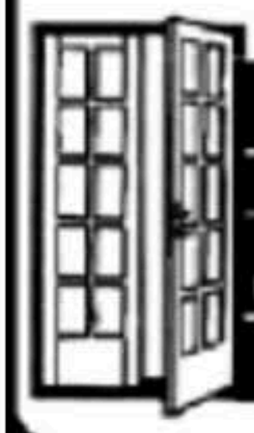

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Finance

The Council has now set its budget for the coming year, April 2020/March 2021. The Administration's main objective in setting its budget is to balance any increase in council tax with the Council's funding requirements, bearing in mind that any increase in council tax directly affects many of its residents. Prudent financial management in recent years now allows for it to start to invest in things that matter to many people. It will invest a total of £16m in climate action related proposals to support its already stated position on the climate emergency. It will also create a new £5m fund to help deliver a range of community based investments. In anticipation of the late announcement by Government of highways funding for the coming year, the Council will use prudential borrowing [£6m] to invest £6.366m in highway infrastructure. The popular Local Highways Improvement scheme will see increased funding of £200,000 for the coming year. Council tax will be raised by 3.59% to include 2% for Adult Social Care.

Health & Social Care

The Wuhan Novel Coronavirus [now officially named Covid-19] is very much in the news and the County Council's Public Health Directorate is being kept updated by Public Health England. Anyone who has travelled to China or other significantly affected area recently, or has been in close contact with anyone who has, and subsequently feels unwell should call 111 for advice and NOT go to either a doctor's surgery or hospital. Regularly updated advice and information for the public is provided by Public Health England at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public

Libraries

The Council has recently launched a new Reading Well for Children collection which is available to borrow from any of the county's libraries. Its aim is to support the mental health and wellbeing of children aged 7-11, providing them and their families and carers with information, advice and support for coping with feelings and worries. The collection contains 33 titles covering topics relevant to today's children such as grief, anxiety, bullying and staying safe on line. The materials have been chosen and endorsed by leading health professionals including NHS England, Mind and the Royal College of GPs and has been co-produced with children and families.

Local Highway Maintenance

I have now secured current year funding for various maintenance issues on Saxon Way and Crafts Way to be dealt with. This work is scheduled for early April to take advantage of the Easter break. Everything will be done to keep disruption to a minimum but there will be a need to suspend the use of some bus stops at times. Officers are currently working with Stagecoach to provide a service that will minimise inconvenience to local bus users. The details of this will be included in a letter that will be distributed closer to the date of the work. Site notices will also be put up on bus stops giving information. This work will address a variety of issues that residents have raised over recent months and every effort is being made to keep inconvenience to a minimum. Please do let me know if you have any questions.

Please do continue to contact me about the things that matter to you.
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Our members choose whether to or what to share within the group and there is no pressure to reveal anything that may cause distress.

Whilst this Group was initiated by the Church the aim is to provide a service for our community as a whole. It does not have a religious involvement.

The times are as follows: 10.00a.m. for new joiners. 10.30a.m. Main Group, 11.30a.m. "Therapeutic Art"

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Our aim is to provide friendship and companionship so why not come along and give us a try. You can have a good old natter, a game or two, or enjoy our other various activities. We would welcome new members.

Coming up in March:

2nd March: Guess the Year

9th March: What Would Happen If?

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To ease congestion at this particularly busy time, we politely ask that routine matters such as blood test results, booking routine check-ups and drug reviews are called through after 11am where possible, so we can speak to those that require treatment urgently as quickly as possible.

Cambridgeshire Hearing Clinics

The next Hearing Aid Clinics at Willingham Surgery on Weds 18th March, Weds 15th April, Weds 20th May from 2:00pm-4:00pm. No appointment necessary, just pop along for your free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

Carers Support Meetings

Meetings held on the first Wednesday of every month. If you are a carer, please pop along and get some support from other people in the local community. Refreshments provided no need to pre-book and completely FREE! Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery or email her at susan.lawson7@nhs.net for more information.

A&E is not an alternative to a GP appointment. If we are closed, please call 111.

Lisa Smith
Assistant Practice Manager

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Bar Hill Cricket 2020

Preparations are coming along for the new season and for those who want to get back into the swing, we have net sessions at Fenner's on a Sunday night for the next few weeks, jointly arranged with Girton CC. The sessions are from 8-9pm – please let me know if you are interested in attending and need a lift.

The new concrete strip which has gone down in the corner of the village green is the start of a project to provide better practice facilities. In the next few weeks, the matting will go down and – as soon as weather allows – the facility will be available to all.

Thanks to the Parish Council and the A14 fund for their support with this project.

Our fixture list will soon be coming together – including for our two youth teams. Our Under-13s are in the same league as Coton, Great Shelford, Histon and Wilburton, while our Under-10s will be up against Cambourne, Hardwick, Longstanton, Over and Sutton.

We should be able to announce our starting date for youth training sessions in the next few weeks, so keep an eye on www.barhillcricket.org.uk or our Facebook page.

Finally, we have a quiz night at the Social Club on Saturday April 18th – more details next month!

For any information, you can contact me on the number below or via info@barhillcricket.org.uk

Paul Stimpson 201212

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Arthur Rank House urgently needs male and female toiletries. Any donations will be appreciated! Please deliver to Jo Hall, 11 Almond Grove (**01954 780304**).

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PARKINSON'S UK

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IS ANYONE IN BAR HILL LIVING WITH PARKINSON'S?

Most of us DO know of someone who has been diagnosed with this condition, who is now living with knowledge of what that implies for themselves and for their family and friends in the future.

THE CAMBRIDGE BRANCH OF PARKINSON'S UK exists so that People with Parkinson's (PwPs) do not have to face the future alone. Meetings, therapies and a bi-monthly Newsletter offer advice, information, and companionship – our members say that knowing that you are not alone is the best possible aid to coming to terms with the diagnosis.

In the next year the Cambridge Branch aims to offer transport assistance to PwPs who would not otherwise be able to benefit from its meetings and therapies – many of them living in Cambridgeshire villages with limited bus services - this will inevitably cost money. Collections and donations are supplemented each year by a major fundraiser:

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In 2020 we are inviting all the villages in the area to enter a team. In so doing a village might win the **DAVID JOHNSTON MEMORIAL TROPHY** - created in memory of a member who was an enthusiastic participant in the past.

The trophy will be awarded annually to the person or group -- family, village, business -- making the greatest contribution to the Fun Run, whether it be in enrolling runners and walkers, raising money, or overcoming the greatest challenge by taking part. For details visit **parkinsonscambridge.org.uk**, or call Caroline on **01223 314279**

Services during March

Sun 1 March	10:00 am	Morning Communion (Methodist)
	6:00 pm	Evening Worship
Sun 8 March	10:00 am	All Together Worship
Wed 11 March	10:00 am	Midweek Holy Communion
Sun 15 March	10:00 am	Morning Communion (Baptist)
Sun 22 March	8:00 am	Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Mothering Sunday Morning Worship
Sun 29 March	10:00 am	Quaker Meeting

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Church Contacts

Church Office	Ian Pryke 01954 206120 office@barhillchurch.org.uk
Minister	Rev Charles Mather 01954 277119 Charlesmather20@yahoo.com
Address	Bar Hill Church Centre, Hanover Close, Bar Hill, Cambridge CB23 8EH
Website	https://barhillchurch.org.uk
Facebook	https://facebook.com/barhillchurch

Holiday at Home

An annual event provided for people who might otherwise find it difficult to get away. Holiday At Home 2020 will take place from Tuesday 14 to Thursday 16 April 9:30 am to 3:30 pm daily. This year's theme is 'bella Italia' - Italy.

BAR HILL HEALTH WALKS

Free Every Wednesday Morning

Meet at Maple Surgery at 10.30am

Our walks are all weather (in case of rain you will find us under the Church porch), free, and accessible to all, particularly those who are currently inactive.

Walks are 45–60 minutes long, and led by trained Volunteer Walk Leaders. Shorter walks may be available; contact Josephine to discuss.

We meet locally after the walk for a hot drink and a chat. This is usually in the library, but may sometimes be at Costa, Tesco, or the Fox.

If this is your first walk please arrive 10 minutes early to complete a short health questionnaire. Copies are available on the PPG noticeboard in Maple Surgery, and at www.walkingforhealth.org.uk.

Contact: Josephine Powell T: **07901 558108**; E: jopowell45@hotmail.com.

BAR HILL ROSARY GROUP

We are a friendly group praying Rosary together. Everyone is welcome to join us. All materials provided.

Our meetings in March are every Friday at 2 pm.

FOR SALE (FEB): NEXT Silver Grey crushed velvet storage 3ft single bedframe and Silentnight mattress. £75ono **01954 782877** (Appletrees)

BIN COLLECTION

Here are the dates for the next few weeks bin collections for Bar Hill;

	Black	Blue/ Green
Thu, 5 Mar 2020	✓	
Thu, 12 Mar 2020		✓✓
Thu, 19 Mar 2020	✓	
Thu, 26 Mar 2020		✓✓
Thu, 2 Apr 2020	✓	

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NWR CONNECTING WOMEN WHO ARE INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING AND TALK ABOUT ANYTHING

NWR is a national women's organisation with members who enjoy lively conversations both serious and light-hearted. It is for women of all ages who like to be informed and share ideas by actively participating in the content of meetings. We promote friendship and self-confidence for lively minded women. We invite you to join us. Come along to one of our meetings – you'd be very welcome.

12th March: ISLANDS OF THE BRITISH ISLES - Research one of the many islands around our coastline.

26th March: SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OF 1960 - The year NWR came into being. What significant events happened either local, national or global.

The Bar Hill group meets in members' homes on alternate Thursday evenings at 8pm. We pay an annual fee of £23 and just £1 per meeting to cover local costs.

For more information please call Karen Hayden (Local Organiser) on **07900 803600** or Kaye Fuller (Deputy) on **01954 782403**.

NWR can also be found on www.nwr.org.uk. Why not have a look!

FOR SALE (MAR): Silent Night Miracoil Double Bed Mattress. Excellent condition, used on a spare bed £25

Also Double Bed Topper from Soak & Sleep £20.

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BAR HILL BOOK CLUB

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DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT - MARCH 2020

Countrywide Scams Partnership

Members of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Against Scams Partnership (CAPASP) met in Huntingdon in December to mark their first anniversary. CAPASP is made up of around 20 local partners comprising of Citizens Advice, Age UK, Cambridgeshire County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner and many more. All the groups and organisations involved pool resources, activities, initiatives and ideas to help prevent people becoming a victim of fraud and give support to those that have been a victim of fraud. It was estimated that Cambridgeshire lost over £15 million to cyber-crime so this crime will have no doubt affected people in Bar Hill ward. Scammers are often organised and predatory operating not only out of the UK but globally often targeting the most vulnerable in society. CAPASP has delivered workshops to more than 40 businesses advising on how to protect against crime such as ransomware, invoice fraud and data theft, it is also been out in the community across Cambridgeshire raising awareness, providing advice and signposting to prevent people becoming a victim of crime.

If you would like to know more then please go to www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/against-scams.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH AGAINST SCAMS PARTNERSHIP

Cambridge South Consultation

There will be a public consultation early in 2020 on proposals for a new railway station for Cambridge South. The new station is proposed to be built near the growing biomedical campus to improve links for residents neighbouring the biomedical campus, staff commuting to the site, patients and their visitors.

New acting Police and Crime Commissioner appointed

Following the resignation of Police and Crime Commissioner Jason Ablewhite, members of the Police and Crime panel have appointed Mr Bisby into the role which will see him in post until the PCC election is held in May 2020. Mr Bisby said of the role "I see my role over the next five months as one of good stewardship, continuing to be the voice of the public and progressing the aims of the Police and Crime Plan. It is an honour to take on the role and I look forward to continuing to work with Cambridgeshire Constabulary and partners to make our communities as safe as possible".

PCC
Police and Crime Commissioner
CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH

Three free trees for every Parish Council

Every parish council in South Cambridgeshire is being offered three free trees by the District Council as part of ambitions to double nature.

The Three Free Trees scheme is intended to encourage more planting. South Cambridgeshire District Council is contacting all 103 parish councils in the area to invite them to apply for a voucher which can be exchanged for three trees, or one large one, at a local garden centre. The voucher will also pay for stakes and tree protection guards

Thank you for taking the time to read my report; if you have any questions or want to discuss any issues please contact me at the address below.

Please contact me if you would like further information, help, or advice
Cllr Bunty Waters - bunty.waters@ntlworld.com **07734 690580**

South Cambridgeshire District Council

Bar Hill Neighbourhood Watch

"Helping to build a stronger community to combat crime and antisocial behaviour."

The Neighbourhood watch needs you! Help to keep our village safe by joining our team today.

To contact the Neighbourhood Watch in Bar Hill you can email nhwinbarhill@yahoo.co.uk

To keep up to date on the latest developments please join us on facebook: http://bit.ly/FBBarHillNHW (or search for "Bar hill NHW").

Remember to ring 999 where a crime is in progress or 101 to report any suspicious activity.

BAR HILL SPORT NEEDS YOU

We are looking for enthusiastic and passionate persons to help develop sports opportunities on the village astro turf pitch. We are The Football Project that currently provides facilities for football development for the youth of Bar Hill. However, the Management Committee wants to expand its use to a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA).

So, what sporting activities does the village community want to be offered and be willing to support/organise? We welcome ideas and suggestions from residents -adults, children and parents- players and coaches who want to make a difference to sport in Bar Hill for all persons.

In addition we are looking to expand the Management Committee to include members in addition to those from the Parish Council, the Colts Football Club and the Residents Association. Young persons/ students are encouraged to seek nomination to represent the needs of the youth of our community.

If this sounds like you, then shout it out at barhillfootballproject@gmail.com

Geof Tamulonis, Chair of The Bar Hill Football Project

Bar Hill Primary School

Academy Council

We are currently looking to recruit two new members to our Academy Council, and we would be delighted to hear from anyone who can offer the following:

- an interest in the performance of the school
- a desire to contribute to and represent the community
- skills that would complement the Academy Council
- the confidence to ask questions and join in debate
- a willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- the ability to work well with others
- time to spare for meetings and school visits

The most important qualities for being an academy councillor are enthusiasm, commitment and an interest in education. You don't need teaching experience, but it's useful to bring skills from other areas of your life.

Further details and an application form are available on our website:

http://www.barhillschool.co.uk/recruitment or please contact the Clerk to the Academy Council GWhiting@cmatrust.net.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

May I record my thanks to the team for the work that they do in keeping the Memorial Clean and Tidy as well as a special thank you for a repair to the bench in the Memorial Garden by Chris Graham Crafts Shed.

So many individuals enjoy the peace and quiet of this space.

Chris Stannard Project Co-ordinator

Dear Editor,

I'd like to congratulate Knit and Natter!

Sue and Trevor Kenchington,June Hinchliffe and Adrienne Sharman recently packed 3 huge boxes of knitted and crocheted goods, which are now on their way to Zambia - to Sachibondu and to the Falconer Trust which runs an orphanage in Kabulamema. These consist of: 26 baby sets (blanket, cardigan, hat and bootees), 121 cardigans, 10 blankets,3 jump suits,30 teddies,84 babies' and children'a hats,1 hand puppet

All of these will make a huge difference to the lives of so many people.

Thank you to all the 'knitters and natterers' who have been involved!

Jo Hall, Almond Grove

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Bar Hill Crafts Shed

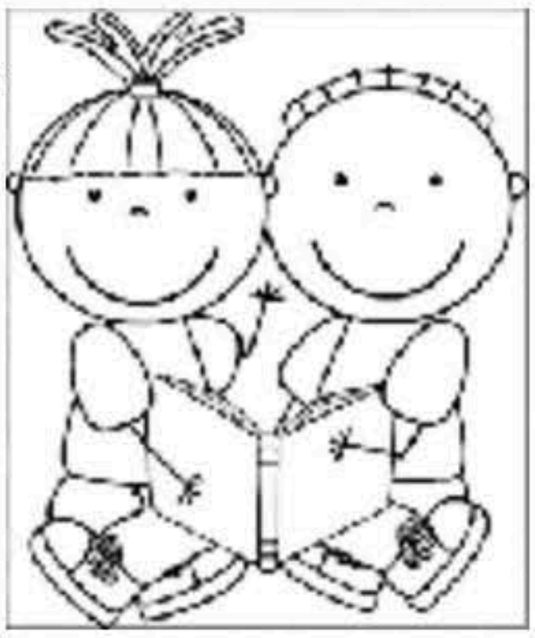
A good social setting where people can pursue their practical interests is emerging in Bar Hill!

Do become part of it by attending a meeting on March 4th or March 25th at 10am in the Octagon Meeting Room.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Ian Palmer & Chris Stannard **(07711 623425)**

RHYMETIME and STORYTIME at BAR HILL LIBRARY



Rhymetime is for babies and toddlers. As well as encouraging their language development and social skills, it's a good way to meet up with other parents and carers. Little ones can also join the Bookstart Bear Club.

Storytime is aimed at children aged 3 -7. It's a fun session that also helps to develop speaking and listening skills. Why not come over when school finishes, change your library books and then settle down for a story or two.

RHYMETIME every Tuesday 2.15 – 2.45pm

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Upcoming Events

Date	Event		Where	Time
Mar 2	Happy Hours: Guess the Year	11	Octagon	11:00
Mar 4	Bar Hill Crafts Shed Meeting	4	Octagon	10:00
Mar 9	Happy Hours: What Would Happen If?	11	Octagon	11:00
Mar 10	Health & Wellbeing Club	11	Tesco	14:00
Mar 11	Wildlife Trust: From Teesdale to Inis Mor	31		19:30
Mar 12	Communities Prepared/ Flood Prevention	1	Octagon	18:30
Mar 12	NWR: Islands of the British Isles	10		20:00
Mar 13	Sports & Social: The Unlucky Quiz	35	Sports & Social	19:30
Mar 14	Olive Tree Bereavement Group	14	Octagon	10:30
Mar 16	Happy Hours: Bingo and a Quiz	11	Octagon	11:00
Mar 18	Messy Church		Church	15:15
Mar 23	Happy Hours: Food from other Countries	11	Octagon	11:00
Mar 25	Bar Hill Crafts Shed Meeting	4	Octagon	10:00
Mar 26	NWR: Significant Events of 1960	10		20:00
Mar 26	Royal British Legion	28	Octagon	19:30
Mar 27	The Fox: Paul Manners (from Britain's Got Talent)	13	The Fox	21:00
Mar 28	Sports & Social: Madonna/80's night	35	Sports & Social	19:30
Mar 30	Meet Your Councillor	5	Parish Council	10:30
Mar 30	Happy Hours: Pictionary	11	Octagon	11:00
Mar 31	An evening with Jamie Sugg	1	Dry Drayton	19:30
Mar 31	Bar Hill Book Club	10	Sports & Social	19:30
Apr 4	Bar Hill Community Market	1	Octagon	10:30
Apr 6	Happy Hours: Easter Arts and Crafts	11	Octagon	11:00
Apr 14	Holiday @ Home	6	Church	09:30
Jul 4	Bar Hill Village Fete ** SAVE THE DATE **	1		

Day	Event	Pag	Where	Time
Alt. Sun	Comberton Ramblers	15		
Fri	Indoor Carpet Bowls (Term Time Only)	15	School	19:30
Mon	Happy Hours Monday Club	11	Octagon	11:00
Mon	Sing It Out/ Community Choir	4	Octagon	19:30
Mon	Longstanton Bowls (In Season Only)	24		18:00
Thur	Knit & Natter		Octagon	1:15
Tues	Rhymetime	4	Library	2:15
Tues	Storytime	4	Library	15:30
Tues	Weekly Poker Night	13	The Fox	19:00
Wed	Coffee Stop		Library	10:00
Wed	Art Group		Octagon	13:30
Wed	Bar Hill Health Walks	9	Maple Surgery	10:30
Wed	Quiz Night with Guest	13	The Fox	20:00
Wed & Fri	Playpals Baby and Toddler Group (Term Time)	28	Octagon	9:45

Comments? Questions? Anything you'd like to see? Anything you c
think is particularly useful?
Please fill in our survey; http://bit.ly/BHNSurvey

A14 Highways Update

In early February the Government-owned company responsible for the A14 upgrade announced plans to open the A14 improvement ahead of schedule.

The £1.5 billion scheme to improve journeys between the East of England and the Midlands was planned to open by the end of 2020 but instead will open more than six months early this Spring.

This follows the December opening of the new 12-mile bypass south of Huntingdon – a whole year early. The new bypass has already been used to make more than five million journeys!

Highways England chief executive Jim O'Sullivan said: "I would like to thank road users, residents and stakeholders for their patience and support during our work. This road is not just a piece of national infrastructure – it brings benefits to the region and local communities too."

Work on the project began in November 2016, and has employed around 13,000 people in total, with up to 2,500 working on site during the project's peak who have been working hard to deliver an early opening for traffic on the new A14.

Besides the Huntingdon southern bypass, the project includes an upgrade to the A14 between Swavesey and Milton, and a new local access road, the A1307, which runs parallel to it between Cambridge and Godmanchester. Approximately 24 miles of new routes for cyclists, walkers and horse riders are also included in the scheme.

The spring opening date will mark the end of permanent roadworks and reduced speed limits on the new A14 and the A1307, but the project team will still need to carry out a number of completion activities such as landscaping, installing some of the new technology, and work in the verges.

Later this year Highways England expects to seek planning consent for proposals for a new dual carriageway A428 between Caxton Gibbet and the Black Cat junction with the A1 in Bedfordshire.

The A14 project has acted as a trailblazer for safety and environmental best practice, with measures including:

- building bridges and bridge components at the side of the road before installing them to minimise the number of closures needed

- using 100% renewable electricity and non-potable water throughout the project
- trialling technology such as an autonomous dump truck and a line painting robot to reduce the risks to road workers on-site
- creating over one square mile of new, connected habitat for wildlife and planting more than 900,000 trees and shrubs – two for every one removed before work started.

The project team has also been running a dedicated project website and social media pages, as well as using a mobile visitor centre for face to face events, to share up-to-date information and discuss progress and issues with local communities.

The old A14, now known as the A1307 east of Huntingdon and along the Alconbury spur, and A141 west of Huntingdon, will be handed over to Cambridgeshire County Council once the project is completed. It will be used as a local access road.

Driving in/around Bar Hill?

There is a dedicated Facebook group for drivers interested in access to the A14 via Junctions 25 (Bar Hill) and 30 (Dry Drayton) during the upgrade: http://bit.ly/BHDrivers

In addition if you have an Android/ Apple phone then Waze (see waze.com) offers real-time updates from fellow drivers making you less likely to be caught by an unexpected closure!

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AIM: Place the '27 three character tiles' in the left -hand grid TO the CORRECT spaces in the right hand grid relating to SEASONAL TERMS containing NINE letters horizontally in alphabetical order.

February Solution

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L	O	V	E	L	I	G	H	T
S	U	G	A	R	C	O	A	T
V	I	V	A	C	I	O	U	S

FOUND (Mar): Modern casket size approx. 260x200x110high with hinged lid, heavily textured applied surface & painted in old-gold with a few beads. If yours PR Keith on **01954-782441**

February Crossword Solution: Across- 1.work ethic. 6.Manhattan. 7.orchestra. 10.exciseman. Down---1.Wimpole. 2.ran. 3.enamels. 4.hat. 5.contain. 8.CTC. 9.tom.

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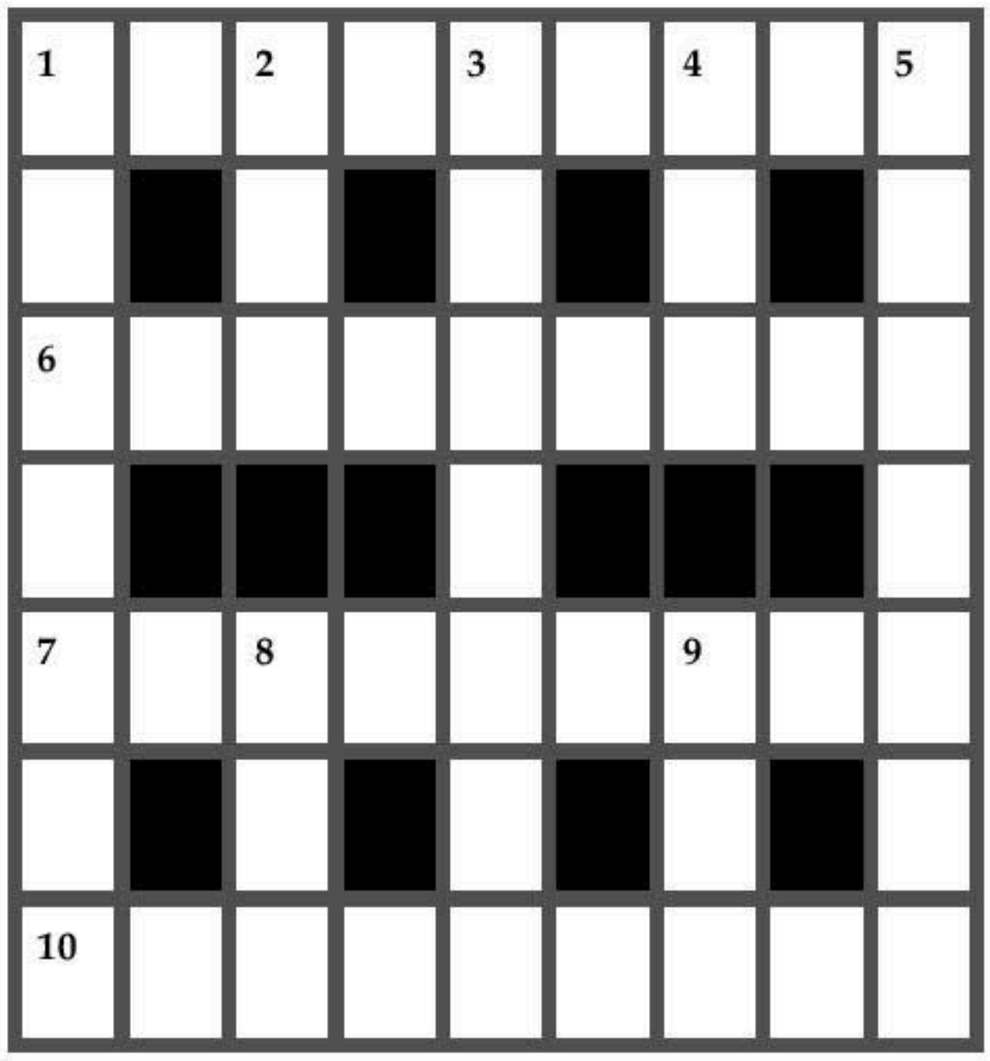

Across -

1.yellow flowered weed. 6.A type of grant 7.unaware. 10. Spring bulbs with white/ green flowers.

Down-

1.medics.2.negative. 3.developed gradually. 4 chemical giant. 5.deserts for evil. 8.star sign. 9. Spanish bear

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ANTHONY BROWNE MP NEWSLETTER

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As I write, it has been just over nine weeks since the general election, although it feels like a lifetime ago. So much has happened in the early days of this Parliament both nationally and locally.

The UK has officially left the European Union and must now focus on negotiating a new trading relationship with our European partners. For South Cambridgeshire, a crucial aspect of this new arrangement will be the provisions on agriculture. I was therefore delighted to make farming issues the focus of my maiden speech to Parliament during the debate on the government's new Agriculture Bill.In the coming weeks and months I want to engage closely with local farmers to better understand their needs, so that I can best represent their views in Parliament as it shapes the country's future agriculture policy. If you would like to be involved in these discussions, please get in touch.

Last week I enjoyed a fascinating visit to the new Royal Papworth. It is the first UK hospital to be rated outstanding across every CQC category, which is a testament to the talent and commitment of its staff and management team. I saw the site where the Cambridge Heart & Lung Research Institute (HLRI) will be built, a brilliant example of how the Biomedical Campus brings together the world's best clinicians and researchers to develop new treatments for the most challenging conditions. We are so fortunate that this local expertise will improve healthcare not only here in South Cambs, but across the world. I know there are concerns about the UK's ability to collaborate with EU research partners post-Brexit and I therefore raised this matter in Parliament with the Science Minister in January. He offered his assurance that the UK would remain committed to the Horizon 2020 programme and would seek as full an association as possible with its successor scheme, but I will continue to meet with local stakeholders and push the government on this issue.

One of my key pledges as your MP is to help to fix our creaking transport system. We had some extremely welcome news this month when the Transport Secretary announced that East West Rail will take a northern route through Cambourne where local commuter demand is highest. The new Cambridge South Station will form a critical new transport hub for the Biomedical Campus. I have already met with Network Rail to find out more about this project and to discuss parking problems at local stations and the notoriously problematic level crossing at Foxton.

I have had a number of approaches from constituents who are worried about the rate of development in South Cambridgeshire. I share many of their concerns and will be lobbying national government to ensure that we do not become victims of our own success. Whilst growth is welcome, it must be carefully managed and local people's voices must be heard. Infrastructure should always be put in place before expansion - 'I before E' as the saying goes.

You can make your views known by taking part in the initial consultation on the Greater Cambridge Local Plan, which contemplates a significant increase in housebuilding, at www.cambridge.oc2.uk.

I am actively raising local issues in Parliament. For updates on my questions and speeches, the best place to look is my Facebook page (@anthonybrownemp) or website (anthonybrowne.org).

I am now holding regular surgeries in the constituency, so if you have a problem I can help with please get in touch.

I have now added a helpful guide on my website setting out what issues I can assist with.

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